

Recent submission by Scott Honaker-N7WLO presents logical arguments supporting the overall concept of Amateur Radio as it pertains to the Skywave operation of Kenwood's Model TS-2000 HF/VHF/UHF transceiver.

Kenwood's cross band hand held transceiver control of their model 2000 should not be disallowed. Such behavior by the FCC discourages commercial companies from participating in the Amateur Radio market and prevents Amateur Radio from participating in advancing communications technology.

Regarding crossband frequency conflicts: What happened to the current rules in effect that provide for resolutions of non-coordinated repeaters on same frequencies? For repeater operation, "Good Amateur Practice" seems to be a sufficient argument. but not considered adequate for overseeing possible conflicts with the Kenwood unit?

Regarding security: Kenwood seems to have provided for secure remote operation of the model 2000. The 2000 unit has to be in receive mode. Skywave mode has to be set. Tone access requires a password and even sub audible tone access can be set.

Rather than slamming the door on a technologically progressive idea, wouldn't it make more sense to at least have a trial period to see how well the system works. A trial period to observe what conflicts might arise and resulting resolution of those conflicts (with or without the help of the FCC)? This has been done before, why not now?

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